BERWIN RUBBER COMPANY LIMITED ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2009



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DIRECTORS' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2009

The directors present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2009

Principal activities and review of the business

The principal activity of the company continued to be that of the compounding of rubber, PVC and other elastomeric alloys

During the financial year the consequences of the 'credit crunch' and the 'global recession' were felt by the company and had an adverse effect. The company had no option but to look at its own cost base, this regrettably resulted in a redundancy programme and other cost saving exercises. These programmes were completed during the year, the entire workforce have worked with the company to help drive the changes that were required.

Borrowing costs were lower in the year due to the reduction in the bank base rate, however, the overall level of borrowing did not reduce due to the company continuing to invest in its capital programmes so that it will be in a stronger, more competitive position when we come out of the recession

The drop in sales was mainly due to the automotive and building sector slow downs. The retained profits however at £885,007 (2008 £893,656) were very much in line with those of last year due to the actions taken. The company looks forward to an improvement in profitability next year.

In terms of financial risk management, the company considers that it has limited exposure to the various aspects of financial risk. The majority of the company's revenue is invoiced in sterling and all of its operations and costs arise within the UK. The company does not enter into currency hedging contracts. Further the company ensures its liquidity is maintained by entering into long term or short term financial instruments as necessary, to support its operational and other funding requirements.

Results and dividends

The results for the year are set out on page 4

The directors do not recommend payment of an ordinary dividend

Directors

The following directors have held office since 1 August 2008

Mr G Williams

Mr M Smith

Mr S Hukin

Mr S Lawton

Mr P Stevenson

Introduction of the euro

The directors continue to monitor the potential introduction of the euro and feel confident that they can meet any challenges they may face

Auditors

The auditors, Jackson Stephen LLP, are deemed to be reappointed under section 487(2) of the Companies Act 2006

DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2009

Statement of directors' responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Statement of disclosure to auditors

So far as the directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware. Additionally, the directors have taken all the necessary steps that they ought to have taken as directors in order to make themselves aware of all relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information

By order of the board

Mr P Stevenson

Secretary

13 November 2009

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO BERWIN RUBBER COMPANY LIMITED UNDER SECTION 449 OF THE COMPANIES ACT 2006

We have examined the abbreviated accounts set out on pages 4 to 16, together with the financial statements of Berwin Rubber Company Limited for the year ended 31 July 2009 prepared under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006

This report is made solely to the company in accordance with section 449 of the Companies Act 2006. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report on abbreviated accounts and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company, for our work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated accounts in accordance with section 445 of the Companies Act 2006. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to whether the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts to the Registrar of Companies and whether the abbreviated accounts have been properly prepared in accordance with the regulations made under that section and to report our opinion to you

We conducted our work in accordance with Bulletin 2008/4 issued by the Auditing Practices Board. In accordance with that Bulletin we have carried out the procedures we consider necessary to confirm, by reference to the financial statements, that the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts and that the abbreviated accounts to be delivered are properly prepared.

Opinion

In our opinion the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with section 445(3) of the Companies Act 2006, and the abbreviated accounts have been properly prepared in accordance with the regulations made under that section

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Mrs Deborah Burton A.C.A. (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of Jackson Stephen LLP

7 December 2009

Chartered Accountants Statutory Auditor

Broseley House 116 Bradshawgate Leigh Lancashire WN7 4NT

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2009

	Notes		2009 £		2008 £
Turnover			21,417,159		24,685,423
Change in stocks of finished goods and work in progress			(65,385)		57,773
			21,351,774		24,743,196
Raw materials and other consumables Other external charges		15,301,836 1,184,594		17,392,824 1,770,185	
			(16,486,430)		(19,163,009)
Staff costs Depreciation Other operating income		3,220,333 633,025 (3,400)		3,628,241 564,908 (7,500)	
		-	(3,849,958)		(4,185,649)
Operating profit	2		1,015,386		1,394,538
Other interest receivable and similar	_				
Interest payable and similar charges	3 4		- (165,997)		1,594 (250,807)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation			849,389		1,145,325
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	5		35,618		(251,669)
Profit for the year	15		885,007		893,656

The profit and loss account has been prepared on the basis that all operations are continuing operations

There are no recognised gains and losses other than those passing through the profit and loss account

ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 JULY 2009

		20	09	20	008
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	6		2,745,704		2,677,647
Investments	7		200		200
			2,745,904		2,677,847
Current assets					
Stocks Debtors amounts falling due within one	8	1,069,506		1,474,654	
year Debtors amounts falling due after more	9	4,617,332		5,467,229	
than one year	9	4,606,031		2,690,198	
Cash at bank and in hand	J	29,093		8,369	
		10,321,962		9,640,450	
Creditors, amounts falling due within					
one year	10	(8,074,564)		(8,186,641)	
Net current assets			2,247,398		1,453,809
Total assets less current liabilities			4,993,302		4,131,656
Creditors: amounts falling due after					
more than one year	11		(32,257)		(20,000)
Provisions for liabilities	12		(123,977)		(159,595)
			4,837,068		3,952,061
					
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	14		2,000		2,000
Profit and loss account	15		4,835,068		3,950,061
Shareholders' funds	16		4,837,068		3,952,061

These abbreviated accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions in section 445(3) of the Companies Act 2006 relating to medium-sized companies

Approved by the Board and authorised for issue on 13 November 2009

Mr G Williams

Director

Company Registration No. 00524814

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2009

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 (Revised 1996) from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a subsidiary undertaking where 90 percent or more of the voting rights are controlled within the group

1.2 Compliance with accounting standards

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), which have been applied consistently (except as otherwise stated)

13 Turnover

Turnover represents amounts receivable on an accruals basis for goods delivered before the year end net of VAT and trade discounts

1.4 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows

Leasehold land and buildings

14 to 35 years - straight line basis

Plant and machinery

3 to 12 years - straight line basis

15 Leasing and hire purchase commitments

Assets obtained under hire purchase contracts and finance leases are capitalised as tangible assets and depreciated over their useful lives. Obligations under such agreements are included in creditors net of the finance charge allocated to future periods. The finance element of the rental payment is charged to the profit and loss account so as to produce a constant periodic rate of charge on the net obligation outstanding in each period.

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged against income on a straight line basis over the lease term

16 Investments

Fixed asset investments are stated at cost less provision for diminution in value

1.7 Stock

Stock and work in progress are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Work in progress and finished goods are valued at production cost, which includes an appropriate proportion of attributable overheads. Provision is made for any obsolete or slow moving items.

1.8 Pensions

The company operates a defined contribution scheme for the benefit of its employees. Contributions payable are charged to the profit and loss account in the year they are payable.

19 Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided in full in respect of taxation deferred by timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes. The deferred tax balance has not been discounted

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2009

1 Accounting policies

(continued)

1 10 Group accounts

The financial statements present information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about its group. The company has not prepared group accounts as it is exempt from the requirement to do so by section 400 of the Companies Act 2006 as it is a subsidiary undertaking of Berwin Group Limited, a company incorporated in England and Wales, and is included in the consolidated accounts of that company

2	Operating profit	2009	2008
		£	£
	Operating profit is stated after charging		
	Depreciation of tangible assets	633,025	564,908
	Operating lease rentals		
	- Land and buildings	68,000	68,000
	- Plant and machinery	56,060	66,530
	Fees payable to the company's auditor for the audit of the company's annual accounts	14,000	14,000
	Fees payable to the company's auditor for taxation services	1,000	1,368
	and after crediting		
	Profit on disposal of tangible assets	(3,400)	(7,500)
3	Investment income	2009	2008
J	mvesunem mcome	£	£
	Bank interest	-	1,594
			1,594
			
4	Interest payable	2009	2008
		£	£
	On bank loans and overdrafts	5,238	1,197
	Hire purchase interest	4,276	5,131
	On amounts payable to factors	156,483	244,479
		165,997	250,807
		-	

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2009

Taxation	2009 £	2008 £
Domestic current year tax	_	
U K corporation tax	-	255,103
Current tax charge	-	255,103
Deferred tax		
Deferred tax credit for the current year	(35,618)	(3,434)
	(35,618)	251,669
Factors affecting the tax charge for the year		
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	849,389 	1,145,325
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation multiplied by stan	dard rate of	
UK corporation tax of 28 00% (2008 - 30 00%)	237,829	343,598
Effects of		
Non deductible expenses	10,547	9,004
Depreciation add back	177,247	158,720
Capital allowances	(148,239)	(155,633)
Group relief	(277,384)	(100,586)
	(237,829)	(88,495)
Current tax charge	-	255,103

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2009

		Land and buildings Leasehold	Plant and machinery	Total
		£	£	£
Cost				
At 1 / Addit	August 2008 tions	2,011,288	8,217,196 703,682	10,228,484 703,682
Dispo	osals		(231,800)	(231,800
At 31	July 2009	2,011,288	8,689,078	10,700,366
Depr	reciation			
	August 2008 Isposals	1,203,676	6,347,161 (229,200)	7,550,837 (229,200
	ge for the year	66,948	566,077	633,025
At 31	July 2009	1,270,624	6,684,038	7,954,662
Net t	oook value			-
At 31	July 2009	740,664	2,005,040	2,745,704
A+ 21	July 2008	807,612	1,870,035	2,677,647
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NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2009

7 Fixed asset investments

Shares	П
subsidia	ry
undertaking	JS

£

Cost

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At 1 August 2008 & at 31 July 2009

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Holdings of more than 20%

The company holds more than 20% of the share capital of the following companies

Company	Country of registration or	Shares held	
	incorporation	Class	%
Subsidiary undertakings			
Berwin Management Services Limited	England and Wales	Ordinary	100 00
Berwin Plastics Limited	England and Wales	Ordinary	100 00

The aggregate amount of capital and reserves and the results of these undertakings for the last relevant financial year were as follows

		Capital and	Profit/(loss)
		reserves	for the year
		2009	2009
	Principal activity	£	£
Berwin Management Services Limited	Non-trading	100	-
Berwin Plastics Limited	Non-trading	100	-

;	Stocks	2009	2008
		£	£
	Raw materials and consumables	1,013,369	1,353,132
	Finished goods and goods for resale	56,137	121,522
		1,069,506	1,474,654

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2009

9	Debtors	2009	2008
		£	£
	Trade debtors	4,482,528	4,742,714
	Amounts owed by group undertakings	4,606,031	3,297,911
	Other debtors	6,017	3,063
	Prepayments and accrued income	128,787	113,739
		9,223,363	8,157,427
	Amounts falling due after more than one year and included in the debtors above are		
		2009	2008
		£	£
	Amounts owed by group undertakings	4,606,031	2,690,198
10	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2009	2008
10	Creditors [,] amounts falling due within one year	2009 £	2008 £
10	Net obligations under hire purchase contracts	£	£ 26,880
10	Net obligations under hire purchase contracts Trade creditors	£ - 3,333,089	£ 26,880 4,350,657
10	Net obligations under hire purchase contracts Trade creditors Amounts owed to group undertakings	£ 3,333,089 589,978	26,880 4,350,657 268,274
10	Net obligations under hire purchase contracts Trade creditors Amounts owed to group undertakings Corporation tax	£ 3,333,089 589,978 14,917	26,880 4,350,657 268,274 196,396
10	Net obligations under hire purchase contracts Trade creditors Amounts owed to group undertakings Corporation tax Other taxes and social security costs	3,333,089 589,978 14,917 324,226	26,880 4,350,657 268,274 196,396 291,994
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Net obligations under finance lease and hire purchase contracts are secured by fixed charges on the assets concerned

Other creditors comprise an amount of £3,731,570 (2008 £2,906,464) which is secured on the book debts of the company

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2009

11	Creditors amounts falling due after more than one year	2009 £	2008 £
	Other loans	12,257	-
	Deferred shares classed as a financial liability	20,000	20,000
		32,257	20,000
	Analysis of loans		
	Wholly repayable within five years	20,909	
		20,909	-
	Included in current liabilities	(8,652)	-
		12,257	-
	Loan maturity analysis		
	In more than one year but not more than two years	8,652	-
	In more than two years but not more than five years	3,605	-
	Deferred shares classified as financial liabilities		
	In more than five years	20,000	20,000

Deferred shares classed as a financial liability relate to shares which have significantly restricted rights to dividends and capital, which amount to nil. The authorised share capital is made up of 20,000 Non-equity deferred shares of £1 each

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2009

12	Provisions for liabilities	C	eferred tax liability £
	Balance at 1 August 2008 Profit and loss account		159,595 (35,618)
	Balance at 31 July 2009		123,977
	The deferred tax liability is made up as follows.		
		2009	2008
		£	£
	Accelerated capital allowances	123,977	159,595

13 Pension costs

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the company to the fund.

Defined contribution

	2009 £	2008 £
Contributions payable by the company for the year	92,218	80,974

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2009

Share capital	2009	2008
	£	£
Authorised		
100 Equity 'A' ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100
1,900 Equity 'B' ordinary shares of £1 each	1,900	1,900
	2,000	2,000
Allotted, called up and fully paid		
100 Equity 'A' ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100
1,900 Equity 'B' ordinary shares of £1 each	1,900	1,900
	2,000	2,000
	Authorised 100 Equity 'A' ordinary shares of £1 each 1,900 Equity 'B' ordinary shares of £1 each Allotted, called up and fully paid 100 Equity 'A' ordinary shares of £1 each	Authorised 100 Equity 'A' ordinary shares of £1 each 1,900 Equity 'B' ordinary shares of £1 each 2,000 Allotted, called up and fully paid 100 Equity 'A' ordinary shares of £1 each 1,900 Equity 'B' ordinary shares of £1 each 1,900 Equity 'B' ordinary shares of £1 each 1,900 Equity 'B' ordinary shares of £1 each

All voting rights lie with the 'A' ordinary shares In all other respects the 'A' and 'B' ordinary shares rank equally

20,000 Non-equity deferred shares of £1 each are included within creditors due after more than one year

15 Statement of movements on profit and loss account

15	Statement or movements on profit and loss account		Profit and loss account £
	Balance at 1 August 2008 Profit for the year		3,950,061 885,007
	Balance at 31 July 2009		4,835,068
16	Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds	2009 £	2008 £
	Profit for the financial year	885,007	893,656
	Opening shareholders' funds	3,952,061 	3,058,405
	Closing shareholders' funds	4,837,068	3,952,061

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2009

17 Contingent liabilities

Berwin Group Limited, Berwin Rubber Company Limited, Berwin Industrial Polymers Limited, Flexi-Cell (UK) Limited and Berwin of Lydney Limited are subject to a cross guarantee in favour of the group's bankers. At 31 July 2009 the company had a contingent liability under this agreement amounting to £1,753,958 (2008 £1,969,556)

18 Financial commitments

At 31 July 2009 the company was committed to making the following payments under non-cancellable operating leases in the year to 31 July 2010

		Land and	Land and buildings		Other
		2009	2008	2009	2008
		£	£	£	£
	Operating leases which expire				
	Between two and five years	-	-	29,540	81,848
	In over five years	68,000 ————	68,000	<u> </u>	
		68,000	68,000	29,540	81,848
19	Capital commitments			2009	2008
13	Capital Communents			£	£
	At 31 July 2009 the company had capital of	commitments as follow	'S	_	_
	Contracted for but not provided in the final	ncial statements		9,794	241,525
20	Directors' emoluments			2009	2008
				£	£
	Emoluments for qualifying services			240,446	279,357
	Company pension contributions to money	purchase schemes		19,656	18,300
	The country of decident to the control of			r money purch:	ase nension
	The number of directors for whom retine schemes amounted to 4 (2008 - 4)	ement benefits are a	iccruing unde	money peron	acc pendion
			-	, money person	acc pendion
	schemes amounted to 4 (2008 - 4) Emoluments disclosed above include the		-	80,216	93,281

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2009

21 Employees

Number of employees

The average monthly number of employees (including directors) during the year was

,	2009 Number	2008 Number
Office and management	26	28
Production and sales	97	109
	123	137
Employment costs	2009	2008
	£	£
Wages and salaries	2,846,399	3,222,319
Social security costs	281,716	324,948
Other pension costs	92,218	80,974
	3,220,333	3,628,241

22 Ultimate parent company

The directors consider the ultimate parent company to be Berwin Group Limited, a company registered in England and Wales

Copies of the consolidated financial statements of Berwin Group Limited can be obtained from Companies House, Crown Way, Maindy, Cardiff, CF14 3UZ